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SUBJECT: US-USSR MARITIME FOUNDARIES

1. AT DINNER GIVEN FOR U.S. FISHERIES DELEGATION LED BY AMBASSADOR RIDGWAY, KORNIENKO, UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS - AMERICAS DIVISION, BRIEFLY RAISED QUESTION OF MARITIME BOUNDARIES BY NOTING THAT FACT THAT U.S. 200 MILE LEGISLATION WOULD CREATE NEW BOUNDARIES WITH U.S. NEIGHBORS. HE MADE SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO MEXICO AND CUBA. AMBASSADOR RIDGWAY NOTED THAT MEXICAN BOUNDARY SITUATION SEEMED TO BE UNDER CONTROL BUT THAT CUBAN SITUATION WAS A MORE DIFFICULT MATTER. AT NO TIME WAS US-USSR BOUNDARY MENTIONED.

2. COMMENT: IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT SOVIET OFFICIALS HAVE GIVEN SOME THOUGHT TO THE QUESTION, AND IT IS REASONABLE TO ASSUME THAT AFTER LOS CONFERENCE SOVIET OFFICIALS MIGHT BE WILLING TO DISCUSS THIS QUESTION WITH US. IT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE TO MAKE AN APPROACH TO SOVIET OFFICIALS AT THE LOS CONFERENCE WITH A VIEW
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